SNC Reference Number
(enter if previously assigned)
080041

PROJECT SUMMARY

County: Plumas

Applicant: Plumas County Fire Safe Council

Project Title: Community Hazardous Fuel Reduction Planning 2009

PROJECT GOAL

To continue seeking and implementing Hazardous Fuel Reduction (HFR) projects within Plumas County's communities-at-risk as part of implementing our Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). This will continue to assist us in meeting our mission "To reduce the loss of natural and manmade resources caused by wildfire through pre-fire activities".

PROJECT SCOPE

This proposed Community Hazardous Fuel Reduction (HFR) Planning grant will provide funds to retain qualified resource professionals to obtain community outreach and community coordination, landowner agreements, development of fuel reduction prescriptions, preparation of appropriate CEQA and if necessary forest product harvesting permits, establishment of monitioring plots, collection of quantifiable pre-assesment information for prpepariong treatment fuding requests, and for Council capacity growth to seek treatment implementation funding for approximately 470 acres in four Plumas County communities-at-risk. The project is in direct cooperation with the local communities, USFS, CDF, Fire Departments, and Plumas County Fire Safe Council.

The intent of HFR projects is to reduce estimated flame lengths on the treated acres and thus either bring crown fires to the ground or inhibit the initiation of crown fires. Creation of firebrands from torching and crowning trees, which cause spot fires, will also be lessened. Reductions in flame length and firebrands make for safer and easier fire suppression

This project will compliment existing HFR efforts on private and public lands in Plumas County. PC FSC has treated over 1,100 acres in 13 communities at risk since 2003, and is presently at various stages of treatment on an additional 1,400 acres in 7 communities. Also since 1998, 50,000 acres of public lands have been treated under the Herger Feinstein Quincy Library Forest Recovery Act, as well as numerous acres of private industrial lands, and other non-commercial private lands in the County.

LETTERS OF SUPPORT

PC FSC Resolution #08-3 Included.

SNC PROJECT DELIVERABLES AND SCHEDULE

DETAILED PROJECT DELIVERABLES	TIMELINE
Retain qualifed Resource Profesional Contractors to accomplis implemetnation of this project	Award + 2 Months
Conduct outreach, obtain community involvement, continue developing collaborative projects with adjoining public land, and obtain signed Landowner Agreements (approximately 25-35) committing them to HFR on their lands.	Award + 6 months
Progress Report	Award + 6 months
RPF to complete a Hazardous Fuel reduction assessment, developt treatment methods and prescriptions, flag property lines, and layout the project.	Award + 8 months
Perform appropriate record searches to support preparation of CEQA & NEPA (if needed), and prepare CEQA documentation foreach specific project for SNC approval, and where commercial forest products are available, develop the appropriate Timber Harvest Plan or Exemption that will be submitted to CDF upon implementation funding.	Award +11 months
Prepare HFR Treatment Prospectus for Solicitation of contractors	**Award +11 months**
Establish monitoring plots (estimated at 35) of pre-existing conditions and collect information on stand conditions, expected fire behavior, and photos	**Award +11 month**
Progress & Final Reports	**Award +12 months**

SNC PROJECT COSTS

PROJECT BUDGET CATEGORIES	TOTAL SNC FUNDING
Contract preparation, contracting of resource professionals and RPF's, project administration, fiscal tracking, performance measure and project progress reporting	$6,500
RPF's to develop prescriptions, & CEQA and THP's or Exemtpion's	$52,500
Establish Monitoring Plots	$6,500
Project and community outreach, collection of landowner agreements, agency collaboration and capacity building	$6,500
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SNC GRANT TOTAL	**$72,000**